

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 61st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

FREE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ON HOUSE BILL 2

Call to Order: Chairman Keith Bales, on April 27, 2009 at 8:00
A.M., in Room 317 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Keith Bales, Chairman (R)
Rep. Jon C. Sesso, Chairman (D)
Rep. Ray Hawk (R)
Rep. Cynthia Hiner (D)
Rep. Llew Jones (R)
Sen. Dave Lewis (R)
Sen. Trudi Schmidt (D)

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Prudence Gildroy, Secretary
Taryn Purdy, Legislative Fiscal Division

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Due to a committee break, several audio recordings were made to cover the entirety of the meeting. After the first part of the meeting and its audio recording, 1 minute 16 seconds was added to the final recording to represent the committee break before the second audio portion begins. The second portion of the audio recording for the meeting begins at the minute's time stamp of 00:05.00.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: None

Executive Action: HB 2

00:00:01 Reconvene
00:00:07 Chairman Bales
00:02:23 Sen. Schmidt
00:02:28 Chairman Bales

00:03:44 Recess

00:05:00 Reconvene 2:53 p.m.

00:05:01 Chairman Bales

[EXHIBIT](#)(frs90hb0002a01)

00:06:11 Taryn Purdy, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)

[EXHIBIT](#)(frs90hb0002a02)

00:07:02 Chairman Bales

00:07:04 Ms. Purdy

00:07:23 Mr. Standaert, LFD

00:07:44 **Motion:** Sen. Lewis moved **TO AMEND HB 2.**

[EXHIBIT](#)(frs90hb0002a03)

Discussion:

00:12:05 Chairman Bales requested to segregate HB000241.agd.
00:13:10 Sen. Schmidt
00:13:37 Rep. Sesso
00:14:03 Ms. Purdy
00:14:37 Chairman Bales
00:15:29 Barbara Smith, LFD
00:16:17 Chairman Bales
00:16:24 Rep. Hiner
00:16:54 Chairman Bales
00:17:26 Mr. Standaert
00:17:51 Chairman Bales
00:18:01 Mr. Standaert
00:18:22 Chairman Bales
00:18:25 Mr. Standaert
00:18:30 Chairman Bales
00:18:34 Mr. Standaert
00:18:47 Chairman Bales withdrew his request to segregate.
00:18:59 Rep. Hawk
00:19:20 Chairman Bales
00:19:54 Ms. Purdy
00:21:10 Rep. Hawk
00:21:16 Rep. Sesso
00:22:07 Chairman Bales
00:22:11 Rep. Sesso
00:24:03 Chairman Bales

00:24:13 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:24:36 **Motion:** Rep. Hiner moved **TO AMEND HB 2.**

EXHIBIT(frs90hb0002a04)

Discussion:

00:25:02 Lois Steinbeck, LFD

00:26:09 Rep. Hiner

00:26:25 Ms. Steinbeck

00:26:51 Rep. Hawk

00:27:41 Rep. Hiner

00:28:08 **Vote:** Motion failed 2-7 by roll call vote with Rep
Hiner and Sen. Schmidt voting aye.

EXHIBIT(frs90hb0002a05)

Discussion:

00:30:28 Sen. Schmidt

00:30:48 Matt Steiner, LFD

00:31:20 Sen. Schmidt

00:31:31 Mr. Steiner

00:32:23 Ms. Purdy

00:33:00 Rep. Sesso

00:33:32 Mr. Steiner

00:34:48 Chairman Bales

00:34:50 Rep. Sesso

00:35:17 Rep. Jones

00:36:22 Rep. Sesso

00:36:28 Sen. Schmidt

00:36:46 Rep. Jones

00:37:10 Sen. Schmidt

00:37:29 Chairman Bales

00:37:35 Mr. Steiner

00:39:02 Rep. Sesso

00:39:07 Mr. Steiner

00:39:13 Ms. Purdy

00:39:39 Rep. Sesso

00:39:45 Ms. Purdy

00:39:59 Rep. Sesso

00:40:03 Ms. Purdy

00:40:07 Mr. Steiner

00:40:25 Chairman Bales

00:40:42 Rep. Hawk

00:41:18 Mr. Steiner

00:41:39 Rep. Hawk

00:41:52 Mr. Steiner

00:42:09 Chairman Bales

00:42:21 Mr. Steiner

00:42:28 Rep. Hawk

00:42:39 Mr. Steiner

00:43:08 Rep. Hawk

00:43:12 Rep. Hiner

00:43:34 Chairman Bales

00:43:46 Rep. Jones

00:44:11 **Vote:** Motion failed 3-4 by roll call vote with Rep. Jones, Sen. Lewis and Sen. Bales voting aye.

00:45:03 Motion: Sen. Lewis moved to **ADOPT THE FREE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT ON HB 2**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:45:19 Chairman Bales

00:46:11 Rep. Jones

00:46:22 Chairman Bales

00:46:38 Rep. Hawk

00:46:59 Rep. Sesso

00:49:30 Chairman Bales

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 3:44 P.M.

Prudence Gildroy, Secretary

Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT ([frs90hb0002aad.pdf](#))